## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

in re Application of : Drumm et al.

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Application No. : 10/511,657

Group Art Unit : 1635

Examiner : Louis V. Wollenberger

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For: MEANS AND METHODS FOR THE SPECIFIC MODULATION OF TARGET GENES IN THE CNS AND THE EYE AND METHODS FOR THEIR

IDENTIFICATION

## RESPONSE TO SUPPLEMENTAL RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the restriction requirement mailed in the Office Action dated April 21, 2006 in the above-identified application. Applicants elect, with traverse, the Invention Group III (claims 1, 3-11, 13-16 and 19-23) directed to a method for the treatment of a disorder of the central nervous system and/or eye comprising the use of a compound capable of modulating a target gene or gene product, wherein the compound may be a nucleic acid molecule, more particularly, a dsRNA and further elects SEQ ID. NO. 3. This response is timely filed by virtue of the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time, extending the time for response through June 21, 2006, thereby extending by one month the one-month shortened statutory period for reply set forth in the Official Action. The fee required is set forth in the accompanying fee calculation sheet. Please charge any requisite fees relating to this amendment including any claim fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0436.

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